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16 December 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT : Support Directorate Preliminary Program Review,
FY 1973-1977

REFERENCE: Memorandum to A-DD/S, dated 11 Dec 1970, subject
as above

The OMS Preliminary Program Review, FY 1973-1977 was conducted at 0900 hours in the DD/S Conference Room today. Present were:

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Mr. Coffey (A-DD/S)

Dr. Tietjen (D/MS)

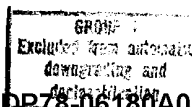


Following is a summary of this review.

1. D/MS opened by suggesting that the new activities that OMS is proposing could be considered under two categories: (a) Health Services ("an effort to provide more such services for more Agency personnel"), and (b) Behavioral and Social Sciences. In both of these the application of new technologies is of basic importance. In considering these new activities OMS has consulted and has been encouraged by Records Management Staff, SIPS, and OCS. The requirements outlined in referent memorandum represent a general plan for providing these new services without an increase in staff ceiling.

2. D/MS then outlined on the blackboard the basic concept of a modern multiphasic screening program, explaining the evolution of this from the conventional examination of a patient by a doctor, through an organizational examination, to the adoption of automated procedures resulting in the multiphasic screening (MPS). We feel through MPS we can reach many of the Agency personnel that we do not now see on a periodic basis -- and perhaps not even at all. A companion effort with the MPS would be the creation of a data base -- the Information Processing System (IPS).

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3. A-DD/S posed the following questions:

a. How would we start the MPS -- with the executive group?

b. How does our plan for automation relate to SIPS?

c. Can we use our present technicians in the new MPS -- are they skilled enough?

D/MS responded as follows:

a. Although the annual and executive types of examination would continue, we would not necessarily start with this group. We are studying this and have had discussions with D/L about conducting a pilot MPS effort on certain OL personnel.

b. [] the OMS MSDO, who under Dr. [] supervision is directing this effort, is in contact with SIPS and OCS.

c. It has in fact been necessary to retrain several of our technicians. We have, for example, sent them to courses conducted by the equipment manufacturers. This has been satisfactory.

A-DD/S recommended the closest continuing liaison with SIPS since this would be to our advantage. SIPS, moreover, has set certain specific dates for "coming on the air" with certain of their program developments.

4. In response to a question D/MS explained the additional resources that made up the \$91,000 requested for IPS. And in response to the answer A-DD/S and C/PS/DDS endorsed the concept of getting our records converted through a one-package (\$76,000) contract arrangement that would avoid the need for an increase in OMS staff or contract ceiling.

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5. A-DD/S asked if there were any other MPS effort in Government. D/MS thought not, but explained that the Foreign Service had been experimenting by sending some of their examinees to the MPS of the George Washington University Hospital. Also, in the Department of Defense there was at least discussion of an activity involving civilian employees that somewhat resembled MPS.

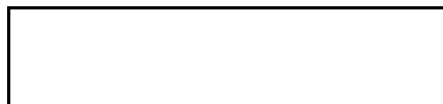
6. A-DD/S wondered why no additional resources were being requested for our Psychological Services Staff. D/MS explained that resources for PSS -- and also Psychiatric Staff -- are considered to be contained in our Behavioral and Social Sciences activity.

7. A-DD/S concluded by stating his presumption that the OMS would use its Clinical Consultant Panel for advice and assistance in the development of the MPS.

8. DC/PS/DDS suggested that whereas the seven (7) new activities proposed were appropriately discussed as such in this meeting, he felt that in our written Program Submission it might be better to describe them in two (2) packages:

- a. IPS, MPS, and related activities, and
- b. Behavioral and Social Sciences

9. A-DD/S closed the meeting at 1000 hours by noting that this had been a good presentation. C/PS/DDS thought it was probably the best review they had had so far.



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